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**Docket No. GC382-US**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application:

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Serial No.: 09/462,845

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 3, 2002, enclosed please find the following documents: Amendment and Response to Office Action and Associate Power of Attorney.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC382-US). A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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